



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Adopt a Resolution Approving No-Parking Zones on Ham Lane, from 230 Feet South of Cardinal Street to Vine Street, to Accommodate the Installation of a Continuous Two-Way, Left-Turn Lane

MEETING DATE: January 17, 2001

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council adopt a resolution approving the restriction of parking along both sides of Ham Lane, from 230 feet south of Cardinal Street to Vine Street, to accommodate the installation of a continuous two-way, left-turn lane, as shown on **Exhibit A**.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Based on complaints received and accidents observed on Ham Lane at the intersections of Park and Cardinal streets, staff reviewed the segment of Ham Lane from Kettleman Lane to Vine Street. Currently, Ham Lane is one of several streets with a high number of accidents. A review of accidents from 1996 to the present indicates that the majority of accidents on this segment occurred between Cardinal Street and Vine Street. The most prevalent type of accident in this segment involved turning vehicles (**Exhibit B**). These include left-turn versus through and rear-end accidents. Along this segment, rear-end accidents occurred when drivers were hit due to vehicles making left-turn maneuvers. Residents in the area also indicated that many near misses have been observed. In order to reduce these types of accidents, the following two alternatives were studied:

Install solid, raised median (no openings) – This alternative (**Exhibit C**) would eliminate left-turn related accidents on Ham Lane; however, it would also affect traffic exiting from cross streets and driveways. While daily traffic volumes on Ham Lane are relatively high (approximately 18,000 vehicles per day), a median is not warranted at this time. Medians are generally considered when, among other factors, daily traffic volumes for a four-lane roadway exceed 22,000 vehicles per day. Another disadvantage of restricting turning movements with a median is the circuitous traffic patterns and increased U-turns. These issues will need further study if this alternative is preferred.

Install left-turn lane – This alternative moves the turning vehicles out of the through travel lanes, and allows left-turning drivers to not feel rushed by traffic approaching from behind. The turn lane can also be used as a refuge area when entering Ham Lane from cross streets. Turning traffic at private driveways, such as at Lodi Middle School, will also benefit. Although the advantages to turn lanes are significant, the disadvantage is the elimination of street parking.

Other alternatives, such as stop signs, traffic signals, or reducing the number of travel lanes were reviewed, however, not considered for several reasons. Stop signs are not recommended due to the high volumes of traffic on Ham Lane in comparison to Cardinal and Park streets. Plus, installing stop signs at locations where they would not normally be expected would likely increase the already prevalent rear-end accidents. We would also see significant backup and delay on Ham Lane, probably worse than we see at Lockeford and Stockton streets where we have an interim four-way stop. Traffic signals were also not considered as there are several intersections from our Signal Priority Study where the need for traffic signals has already been demonstrated. Based on the number of rear-end accidents occurring in this segment, we would not recommend installing a traffic signal without left-turn lanes, which would still result in the elimination of street parking. In addition, stop signs and traffic signals do not address turning movements at private driveways.

Reducing the number of travel lanes in each direction to one lane, with a continuous left-turn lane in between, was also considered, however, not recommended. This would be similar to Ham Lane north of Lodi Avenue, and Hutchins Street between Kettleman Lane and Lodi Avenue. However, volumes on these streets are somewhat lower at 15,000 vpd and 14,500 vpd, respectively.

The operating conditions of a roadway are described as "Level of Service" (LOS). LOS is a qualitative measure describing operating conditions and includes a number of factors, such as speed and travel time, freedom to maneuver, driving comfort and safety. LOS's are given letter designations from "A" to "F" with LOS A representing the best operating conditions and LOS F the worst. On roadways with LOS A, drivers will experience free flow conditions and with LOS F, experience

APPROVED:

H. Dixon Flynn -- City Manager

forced flow or "stop and go" conditions. Reducing Ham Lane to one lane in each direction would probably cause the operating conditions to decrease from LOS C to LOS F, although more detailed analysis and design might mitigate this decrease. However, traffic growth could eventually require a return to four lanes. The other streets mentioned are at LOS D, an acceptable LOS for most cities.

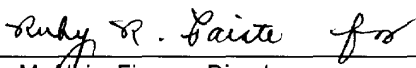
DISCUSSION: Staff recommends installing the continuous left-turn lane. In order to accommodate the additional lane, street parking will need to be eliminated on both sides of Ham Lane from 230 feet south of Cardinal Street to Vine Street. This will affect parking along a portion of Kofu Park, five residential parcels, Lodi Memorial Hospital, and Lodi Middle School (**Exhibit A**). Of the five residential lots affected, four face Ham Lane. However, all five residences are on corner lots, so parking on side streets is available. Given the high bicycle usage on Ham Lane, a wider travel lane adjacent to the curb is also recommended. Within this segment, there are four GrapeLine/Smart bus stops (two on the east side, two on the west side). Transit has indicated its operations would not be affected with the installation of the proposed alternative.

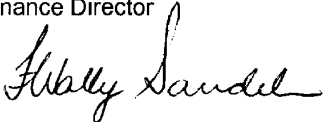
Prior to this meeting, staff contacted ten affected property owners and residents regarding our proposal to remove parking to install this traffic safety improvement. Our inquiry resulted in five responses. While the benefit of the turn lane was understood, the loss of street parking was the residents' primary concern. Staff surveyed parking along this segment on fifteen occasions. No more than three vehicles were observed along this segment during any survey and vehicles were primarily parked on the west side of Ham Lane adjacent to Park and Cardinal streets. The low parking demand is primarily because several parcels adjacent to Ham Lane have off-street parking lots, such as at the Middle School, hospital/medical center, and the park. Space for additional on-site parking is available and our recommendation includes widening driveway approaches within the public right of way if the property owner provides additional on-site parking.

RECOMMENDATION: While eliminating parking can be a controversial issue, based on staff's review of this segment, adding turn lanes is the most viable solution to improve safety and reduce collisions. Based on the complaints received, accident history, and low parking demand, staff recommends that Council approve the installation of no-parking zones to accommodate the continuous left-turn lane as shown on Exhibit A. Staff will continue to monitor accidents on this segment as well as along Ham Lane north of Vine Street. It is likely that turn lanes will be needed along other segments in the future.

FUNDING: Funding for the installation of no-parking signs and modifications to striping from the Street Maintenance Account at an approximate cost of \$4,700.

Funding Available:


Vicky McAnie, Finance Director


for Richard C. Prima, Jr.
Public Works Director

Prepared by Rick S. Kiri, Senior Engineering Technician

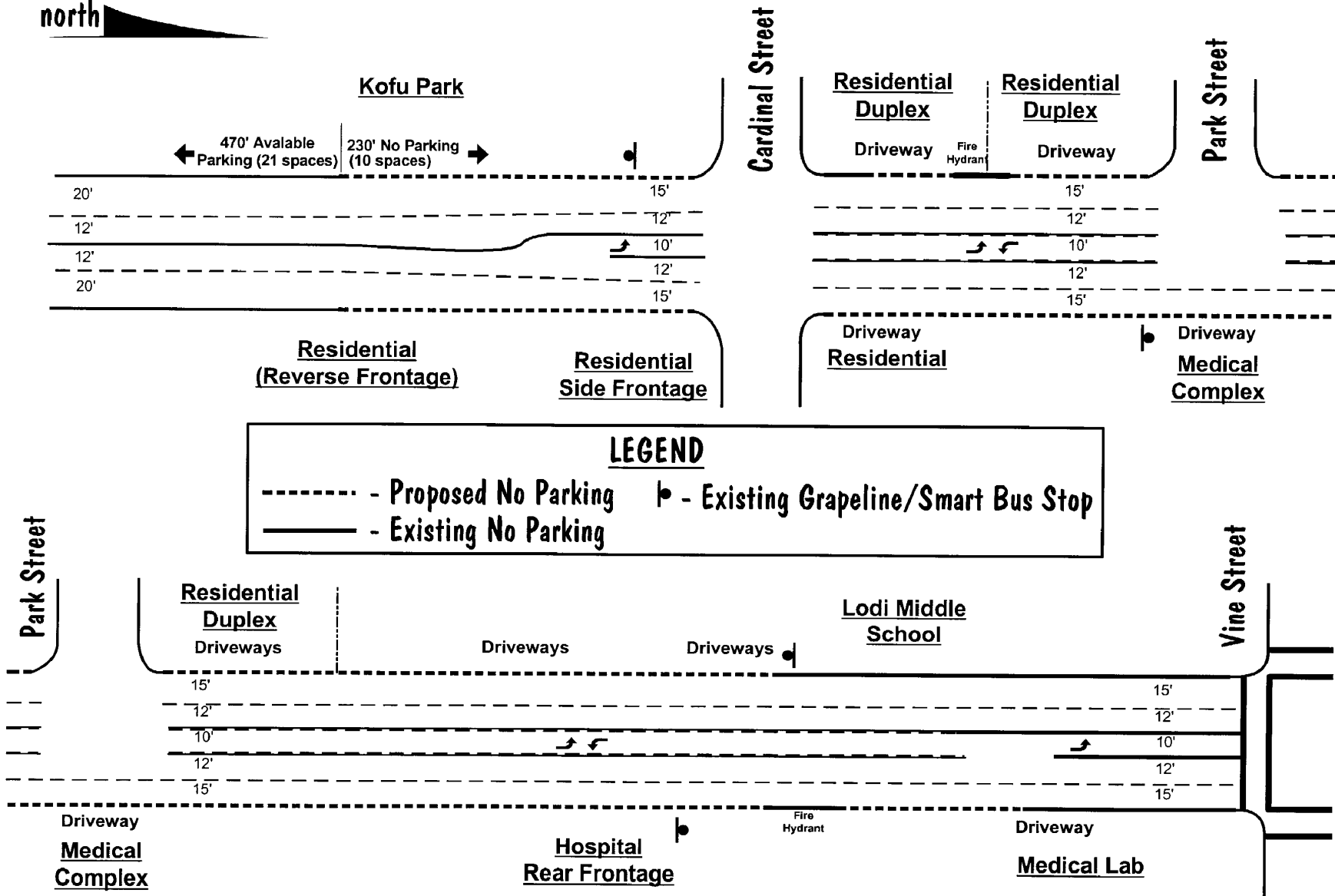
Attachments

cc: Randy Hays, City Attorney
Jerry Adams, Police Chief
Wally Sandelin, City Engineers
George Bradley, Street Superintendent
Carlos Tobar, Transportation Manager
Paula Fernandez, Associate Traffic Engineer
Affected Property Owners
Concerned Citizens

Ham Lane - Cardinal Street to Vine Street

No Parking for Proposed Continuous Left Turn Lane

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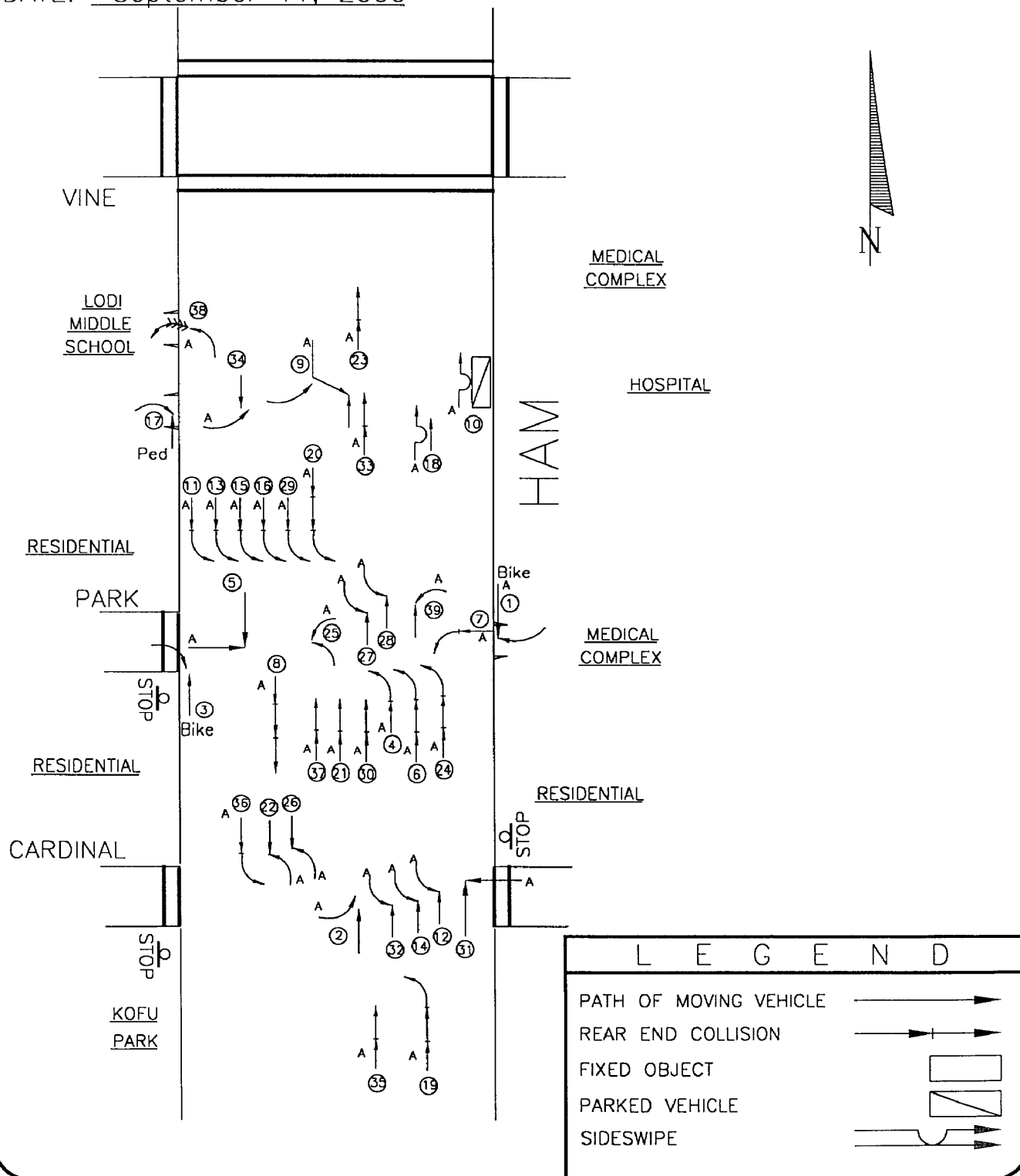
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Collision Diagram

Ham Lane
CARDINAL to VINE

DATE: September 11, 2000

YEAR(S) 1996-9/2000



Location: Ham Ln, Cardinal to Vine Years(s): 1996-9/2000

No.	DATE	TIME	DAMAGE	INJURIES	APPARENT CAUSE (A)
1.	04/05/96	1508	None-Mod	1	bike on sidewalk, bike on wrong side of road (adult rider)
2.	05/11/96	1246	Mod-Min	0	Failure to yield, asked ped for directions to hospital just before entering roadway, 86 year old
3.	07/02/96	1057	Min-Unk	0	unknown, misc service report, veh bumped 7 yr old on bicycle
4.	09/29/96	1938	None-Maj	1	unsafe speed, inattention
5.	10/26/96	1033	Min-Min	0	failure to yield, parked veh blocked eb drivers vision, 70 yr old driver
6.	11/12/96	1728	Mod-Tot-Min	2	unsafe speed, distracted by uninvolved skateboarder
7.	02/06/97	1435	Min-Min	0	unsafe speed, inattention
8.	02/11/97	1521	Min-Min	2	Unsafe speed, H&R, unlicensed driver, stopped for ped in crosswalk
9.	03/05/97	1518	Maj-Maj	2	Failure to yield, possible vision obstruction from veh in curb lane
10.	03/12/97	1520	None-Min	0	Unsafe turn, mirrors struck while passing parked veh
11.	04/21/97	0807	Unk-Min	0	Unk, H&R, rearended waiting to turn into parking lot
12.	05/24/97	1855	Tot-Tot	3	Failure to yield, did not see approaching vehicle
13.	05/27/97	0710	Min-Min	0	unsafe speed, inattention
14.	06/10/97	1217	Maj-Tot	3	Failure to yield, opposing turning veh may have affected visibility
15.	06/11/97	1521	Min-Mod	1	Unsafe speed, inattention
16.	10/13/97	0758	Mod-Maj	0	Unsafe speed, inattention
17.	10/14/97	0810	None-Ped	1	Unk, delayed report, ped hit on sidewalk by veh exiting driveway
18.	11/20/97	1405	Mod-Mod	1	Unsafe lane change, did not see other vehicle
19.	12/15/97	1441	Min-Min-Mod	2	Unsafe speed, struck waiting to turn left onto Cardinal
20.	01/30/98	0818	Mod-Mod-in	0	unsafe speed
21.	02/28/98	1647	Min-Min	0	unsafe speed, hit veh stopped behind car turning left onto Park
22.	05/15/98	1250	Min-Min	0	Failure to yield, Miscellaneous Service Report
23.	08/19/98	1427	Min-Min	0	Following too close, claims driver pulled in front and stopped
24.	01/21/99	1709	Min-Mod-Mod	0	following too close by rear drivers, stopped for veh turning onto Park
25.	02/09/99	1902	Min-Min	2	failure to yield when entering road, driver exiting pvt drive
26.	03/16/99	1711	Min-Min	0	Failure to yield, view blocked by veh making opposing left turn
27.	06/02/99	1338	Mod-Min	0	failure to yield, driver 80 yrs old
28.	07/15/99	1602	Mod-Mod	1	failure to yield, did not see approaching veh
29.	07/27/99	1219	Mod-Min	0	unsafe speed
30.	08/19/99	1450	Mod-Min	2	unsafe speed, hit veh stopped behind car turning left onto Park
31.	09/07/99	1518	Min-Mod	0	Failure to yield, did not see approaching veh
32.	09/30/99	1412	Min-Min	0	Failure to yield, H&R
33.	10/20/99	1521	Mod-Min	0	Unsafe speed, did not notice veh in front was stopped
34.	10/31/99	1259	Min-Mod	0	Failure to yield, vision blocked by parked vehicles
35.	11/20/99	1506	Mod-Mod	0	Unsafe speed, stopped for vehicle turning on Cardinal
36.	12/09/99	1549	Min-Min	0	Unsafe speed, rearended waiting to turn onto Cardinal
37.	05/15/00	1448	Min-Min	0	Following too close, inattention, stopped for veh turning onto Park
38.	07/05/00	0815	None-Min	0	Unsafe backing, backed after turning into driveway
39.	09/19/00	1658	Min-Maj	0	failure to yield, misjudged approaching vehicle, driver 81 yrs old

ham,card-vin

Ham Lane - Cardinal to Vine Street

Proposed Solid Raised Median

north

Kofu Park

Cardinal Street

Residential Duplex

Residential Duplex

Park Street

Driveway

Fire Hydrant

Driveway

20'

20'

20'

12'

11'

2' wide raised median

11'

12'

11'

11'

20'

20'

20'

Residential (Reverse Frontage)

Residential Side Frontage

Driveway Residential

Driveway Medical Complex

LEGEND

..... - Proposed No Parking
 ——— - Existing No Parking

• - Existing Grapeline/Smart Bus Stop

Park Street

Residential Duplex Driveways

Driveways

Driveways

Lodi Middle School

Vine Street

20'

15'

11'

11'

2' wide raised median

11'

10'

20'

11'

Driveway Medical Complex

Hospital Rear Frontage

Fire Hydrant

Driveway Medical Lab

Exhibit C

RESOLUTION NO. 2001-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL APPROVING
THE INSTALLATION OF NO-PARKING ZONES ON HAM
LANE, FROM 230 FEET SOUTH OF CARDINAL STREET TO
VINE STREET, TO ACCOMMODATE THE INSTALLATION OF
A CONTINUOUS TWO-WAY, LEFT-TURN LANE

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby approve the installation of No-Parking Zones along both sides of Ham Lane, from 230 feet south of Cardinal Street to Vine Street, to accommodate the installation of a continuous two-way, left-turn lane, as shown on Exhibit A attached hereto.

Dated: January 17, 2001

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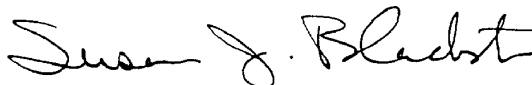
I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2001-11 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held January 17, 2001, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hitchcock, Howard, Land, Pennino and
Mayor Nakanishi

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None


SUSAN J. BLACKSTON
City Clerk

north

470' Available
← Parking (21 spaces)

470' Available
← Parking (21 spaces)

Cardinal Street

Residential Duplex Driveway Fire Hydrant

Park Street

Residential
(Reverse Frontage)Residential
Side Frontage

Driveway
Residential

Driveway
Medical
Complex

LEGEND

----- - Proposed No Parking
 _____ - Existing No Parking

• - Existing Grapeline/Smart Bus Stop

Residential
Duplex
Driveways

Lodi Middle
School

Park Street

Vine Street

Driveways

Driveways

15'	12'	15'	12'
10'	10'	10'	12'
12'	12'	12'	12'

Driveway
Medical
Complex

Exhibit A

Dear Mayor Nakanishi and Council Members.

We received the letter from the Public Works Director. And looking at the Alternatives,, we think everybody would be against the concrete median strips that would stop everybody from crossing Ham lane. That would mean that everybody on the west side of Ham Lane would have to either drive ,west or south ,to cross Ham. I guess that means you don't really want us to come down town to do any shopping or to go to a movie. If we drive that far south or west we may as well continue on to Walmart, Target or might as well continue on to Stockton were we have a choice of a lot of movie houses and shopping. We hope you take a close look at this and we all hope that you will not saddle this area with a concrete strip.

It will certainly make it plain to us on the west side of Ham that you don't want us down town.

Yours Sincerely
Erwin and Mary Rall

CITY CLERK'S NOTE: This
pertains to Item H-3 on the
01/17/01 Council Agenda and
has been distributed to the Mayor
and City Council Members.
cc: CM, CA, PW

Jennifer Perrin

From: Larry Jenks [jenks@softcom.net]
Sent: Friday, November 24, 2000 3:19 PM
To: Alan Nakanishi
Subject: Turning Lane/Skate Park

Dr. Alan Nakanishi,

November 15th, I and some of my neighbors were at the city council meeting in regard to the turning lane to be added on Ham Lane by Cardinal and Park street. This was canceled off the agenda that night and I do understand there was a lot going on. I would like to ask that the turning lane issue be back on the agenda as soon as possible as you can see this picture below is becoming all to common for us and our kids to witness. This picture is the second accident in 2 weeks, the week before there were 4 cars involved. Please lets get this turn lane going before more people are hurt.

I also want to say once again that the skate park that is proposed for Kofu Park is of great concern as well. The environmental assessment report is done and says "No significant impact on the environment" Well I guess thats on who you ask. This skate park will disrupt our lives. If I was a bird or fish the location would be reconsidered but I'm just a person who will have to live with more traffic (which is already hard to take) more parking problems (which is a seious problem now with out the skate park) and more noise. I think its unfair of the city to expect us to endure more. The skate park hours will be 9 to 9 weekday and 9 to 11 weekends this will be madness especially during baseball season, not to metion this is 7 days a week and year round. Please Please consider another location Like Simas Park on Stockton street.

Thank you,

Tammy Jenks



11/28/00

Susan Blackston

From: Larry Jenks [jenks@softcom.net]
Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2001 5:16 PM
To: cityclrk@lodi.gov

Subject: Susan Blackston (For the council members)

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Dear Lodi City Council,

I'm writing to express my safety concern for a turn lane needed on Ham Lane from Cardinal down at least past the middle school. I have witnessed several accidents and have had some near misses just try to turn on to my street (Cardinal). Cars travel to fast and if you go to turn left its a risk. For the past year I have pursued this issue with the city and the city council. I have e-mail all of the council members (before the election) and even e-mailed a picture of an accident with 2 injuries that happen the very week that I attended a council meeting with this turn lane on the agenda, it was canceled at the last minute. Jan 17th council meeting has the turn lane / Ham lane red curbs back on the agenda this is also our 20th wedding anniversary and we will not be attending the meeting. I'm writing to ask you all to please give us this turn lane / Ham Lane red curb.

Thank you Tammy Jenks

Questions call me at (209) 339-8997

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Mr. Thomas E. Driscoll
3024 Fernwood Drive
Lodi, CA 95242

JAN 16 2001

City Clerk
City of Lodi

Dear Mayor and Honorable Members of the Lodi City Council:

I would like to apologize for my inability to attend tonight's meeting. I am co-captain of Saint Mary's High School Boys Basketball team. Unfortunately, we have a game tonight at Franklin High School. I have an obligation to my team to be at the game. However, I sent my dad to receive my award in my place.

Please accept my deep gratitude and thanks for the award of January "Student of the Month". Having lived in Lodi for my entire life, being recognized by my local community means a lot to me.

The idea behind this award is wonderful. Recognizing local teens for their accomplishments is a fine way for the Lodi Youth Commission to stay in touch with their community. I wish the program the best of luck in the future.

Once again, I would like to thank you for the honor which you have bestowed me. I am truly grateful.

Sincerely,

Thomas E. Driscoll

Thomas E. Driscoll

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and City Council Members.
cc: CM, CA

TEEN OF THE MONTH

NAME: Thomas E. "Ted" Driscoll

FAMILY: Parents: Tom and Kim Driscoll
Siblings: John, age 15
Josephine, age 14

SCHOOL: St. Mary's High School
Stockton, California

ACTIVITIES: See attached.

CLUBS: See attached.

GPA: See attached.



PLANS ON GRADUATION: On graduating from Saint Mary's High School, I plan on attending the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland. I plan on being a career officer in the United States Marine Corps as an aviator.

Additional Information re Thomas Edward Driscoll

1. *Awards and honors*

St. Anne's Todd Johnston Award for Outstanding Humanitarian Values, 1997
St. Mary's Principal's List, 1997-present; cumulative GPA 4.20
St. Mary's Outstanding Academic Achievement Award in Spanish, 1998
St. Mary's Outstanding Academic Achievement Award in Algebra, 1998
St. Mary's Outstanding Academic Achievement Award in Science, 1998
St. Mary's Outstanding Academic Achievement Award in Geography, 1998
St. Mary's Outstanding Academic Achievement Award in Spanish, 1999
St. Mary's Outstanding Academic Achievement Award in Religion, 1999
St. Mary's Outstanding Academic Achievement Award in Chemistry, 1999
Golden State Examination Honors Recognition in Geometry, 1999
Golden State Examination Honors Recognition in Biology, 1999
Golden State Examination Recognition in Chemistry, 1999
St. Mary's Outstanding Academic Achievement Award in Religion, 2000
St. Mary's Outstanding Academic Achievement Award in Pre-Calculus, 2000
Member of St. Mary's High School Homecoming Court, 2000
AP Scholar with Honors, 2000

2. *School and outside club memberships*

St. Mary's Mentor Society, 1999-present
National Honors Society, 1998-present
St. Mary's Boys Senate, 1999-present
St. Mary's Campus Ministry, 1999-present
San Joaquin County Office of Education Drug Abuse Research Team, 1999-2000
St. Mary's Guardian Angels, 1999-present
St. Mary's Student Council, 1999-present
St. Mary's Junior Class President, 1999-2000
St. Mary's Student Body President, 2000-present

3. *Employment*

Baseball Umpire, City of Lodi, California, Parks and Recreation Department
April-July, 1997-present; 10-25 hours per week
Laborer, Precissi Flying Service, Lodi, California
June-August 2000; 40+ hours per week

4. *Volunteer involvement*

Youth basketball coach, CYO
1997; 6 hours per week during season
Stockton Asparagus Festival volunteer
1998-1999; 5 hours during each festival
St. Anne's and Diocese of Stockton altar server
1993-1999; 1-2 hours twice a month
Diocese of Stockton Special Education Program driver
1998-present; 2 hours, four times a year
DART program AIDS presentations to local 7th-9th grade classes
1999-2000; 6 three-hour presentations
After school tutor for at-risk St. Mary's students
1999-present; 1 hour daily plus some evenings and weekends

5. *School Athletics*

St. Mary's High School football: 1997-present
Junior Varsity Most Inspirational Player Award, 1998
Varsity Letter, 1999 and 2000
Varsity Captain, 2000-present
Varsity Most Inspirational Player Award, 2000
St. Mary's High School basketball: 1997-present
St. Mary's Basketball Camp Mr. Team Award, 1997
Frosh Teammate of the Year Award, 1998
Junior Varsity Captain, 1998-1999
Tokay Invitational Tournament All-Tournament Team, 1998
Varsity Letter, 1999 and 2000
Varsity Captain, 2000-present
St. Mary's High School track and field: 1997-1999
CIF Sportsmanship/Citizenship Award, 1999

6. *Out-of-school recreational activities*

Suzuki piano, 1992-1999



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Subj: Response to the Proposed Resolution to Provide a No-Parking Zone on Ham Lane to Accommodate the Installation of a Continue Two-Way, Left Turn Lane

It is our understanding that the City Council will be considering a Public Works staff resolution to create no parking zones on Ham Lane, from 230 feet south of Cardinal Street to Vine Street to accommodate the installation of a continuous two-way, left turn lane.

As part of Lodi Memorial Hospital's Facilities Master Planning effort, future site changes have been planned to include more clearly defined access to the facility from Ham Lane (please see the attached Exhibit). The proposed no-parking zone and associated continuous two-way, left turn lane will significantly improve the safety of patients, visitors and staff both entering and exiting the hospital parking lot to Ham Lane. Additionally, the elimination of parked vehicles on Ham Lane will greatly improve visibility for vehicles exiting the parking lot to travel south on Ham Lane.

Lodi Memorial Hospital does not support the option of installing a solid raised median (no openings) on Ham Lane. We agree that installing a median may reduce the possibility of accidents by eliminating the ability to turn into the Lodi Middle School (in the northbound direction), the median would significantly confuse drivers attempting to access the hospital. Confusion usually results in more accidents. Additionally, the median would significantly reduce the benefit of the Ham Lane access to the hospital medical complex.

Lodi Memorial Hospital supports the staff recommendation to provide a no-parking zone and associated continuous two-way, left-turn lane. We hope the Council will support and approve this resolution that will improve safety to the Lodi community as they travel near and to our facility.

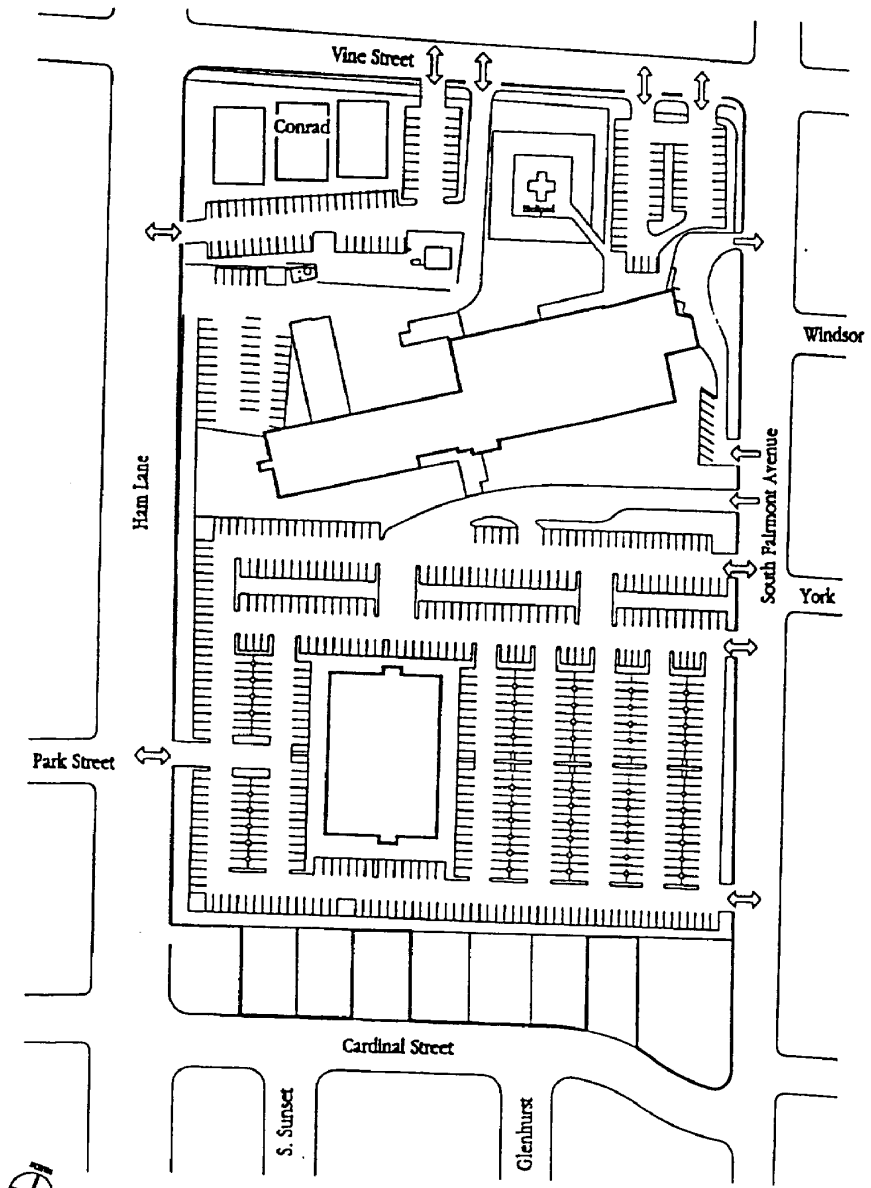
Sincerely,

Joseph P. Harrington, CEO
Lodi Memorial Hospital

attachment

CITY CLERK'S NOTE: This pertains to Item H-3 on the 01/17/01 Council Agenda. PW inadvertently omitted these 3 pgs. from their Staff Report on this matter.

cc: CM, CA



SITE PLAN

Lodi Medical Associates

999 S. Fairmont Ave. Suite #25
Lodi, California 95240

Phone 209-333-7355

November 14, 2000

City of Lodi Public Works Department
221 West Pine Street
Lodi, California 95241-1910

To whom it may concern:

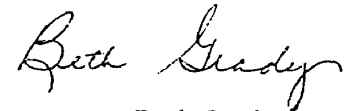
As building manager of Lodi Medical Plaza, a two-story medical office building located in Lodi Memorial Hospital's parking lot I would like to repond to a letter we received regarding the no-parking zones on Ham Lane. It is my understanding that this would accommodate the installation of a continuous two-way, left-turn lane from 230 feet south of Cardinal Street to Vine Street. It is our feeling that this would be an excellent improvement over the current situation. The flow of traffic along Ham lane is swift and continuous. With both our parking lot entrance and the entrance to Lodi Middle School's parking lot located between Cardinal and Vine there are may cars who make turns , both right and left. It is especially dangerous in the mid-afternoon as the school children are being dismissed with busses and parents picking up their children.

We would appreciate the continuous two-way left-hand turn lane being installed. It would make our patients and the school children arrive and depart more safely and easily.

The alternate proposal of a solid raised median is not something we would want to happen. The median would create havoc with patients being unable to enter the parking lot or try to make unsafe U-turns at the next block.

Thank you for your considerations in this matter.

Sincerely,



Beth Grady
Building Manager
Lodi Medical Plaza

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January 11, 2001

Affected Property Owners/Concerned Citizens

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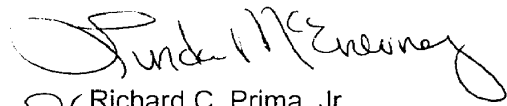
Enclosed is a copy of background information on an item on the City Council
agenda of Wednesday, January 17, 2001. The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the
City Council Chamber, Carnegie Forum, 305 West Pine Street.

This item is on the regular calendar for Council discussion. You are welcome to attend.

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If you have any questions about the item itself, please call Rick Kiriu,
Senior Engineering Technician, at 333-6800, ext. 2668, or Paula Fernandez,
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